



February 18, 2014

Dear Homeowner,

This is a special invitation for you to attend our FIREWISE *"How To Have A Firewise Home"* event to be held at the Golden Triangle Planning and Development Senior Enrichment Center, Suite 1, 1522 Gardner Blvd, Columbus, Mississippi on Tuesday, March 18, 2014. This is a new initiative led by the Mississippi Forestry Commission to achieve fire safe planning and development in our communities where homes are frequently damaged or destroyed by wild fire.

The *"How To Have A Firewise Home"* program is a program targeted to bring together citizens, business and community leaders involved in planning, financing, building, sustaining and protecting communities in the wildland/urban interface. Participants will learn about why homes burn, various wildland fuel reduction techniques, and how to assess the fire danger of their own homes.

We believe that this program may have a significant impact in protecting your home from wild fire. There is no charge for your participation and a meal will be provided. Pre-registration is needed by 12 Noon, Friday, March 14, 2014 to get a head count for the meal. Please call (662) 328-5921 Ext. 3 or stop by the Lowndes County USDA Service Center-NRCS Office at 2282 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Columbus, Mississippi. Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. The program will begin promptly at 9:30 a.m. and end at 1:00 p.m.

We value your participation in the program and look forward to seeing you. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the USDA-NRCS Office at (662) 328-5921 Ext. 3.

Local sponsors of this program are the Lowndes Co. Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD), Lowndes Co. Extension Service and the Northeast Mississippi RC&D Council.

The following CFE/CEU/CLE are given for this event: Registered Forester, 2 hrs of category II; Certified Loggers, 2 hrs of category II; Realtors, 3 hrs Elective Real Estate Course, Approval Code 10181; Structural Firefighter, Certificate of Attendance, 2 hrs; credit is not available for Teachers and Professional Disciplines.

Sincerely,

Floyd Lowry

Floyd Lowry Chairman
Lowndes County SWCD



How to Have A Firewise Home Agenda

Lowndes County SWCD Firewise Event
Golden Triangle P&DD Senior Enrichment Center
Suite 1, 1522 Gardner Blvd.
Columbus, Mississippi 39702

March 18, 2014

9:00 a.m.	Registration
9:30 a.m.	Welcome and Introduction
9:45 a.m.	Firewise in Mississippi
10:00 a.m.	Break
10:15 a.m.	Wildfire! Preventing Home Ignitions
10:35 a.m.	How to Have A Firewise Home
Noon	Lunch
12:45 p.m.	Evaluations
1:00 p.m.	Adjourn



PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Fax or Mail Pre-Registration To:
Lowndes County SWCD
2282 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive
Columbus, Mississippi 39702
Fax: (662) 241-5944

Registration Required By: March 14, 2014

Meal will be provided. Pre-registration is a **must** for the meal head count.

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Golden Triangle P&DD Senior Enrichment Center
Suite 1, 1522 Gardner Blvd.
Columbus, Mississippi
March 18, 2014

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Affiliation _____

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Email Address _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Builder/Developer | <input type="checkbox"/> Homeowner Association | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Department |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Code Enforcement | <input type="checkbox"/> Homeowner | <input type="checkbox"/> Structural Fire Department |
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